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Re: Response to NOTICE
TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS
FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS
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AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE
DISCLOSURES

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ACTIVE HUMAN DENDRITIC CELLS FROM
MONOCYTES"

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Sir:

In response to the December 6, 2001 document entitled "NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES," please enter the following amendments and remarks into the prosecution history of the above-identified U.S. patent application without prejudice or disclaimer.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first paragraph on page 30 of the specification (see lines 1-15 on page 30) with the amended paragraph that is set forth on page 1 of Appendix A. (Appendix B, which is enclosed herewith, shows how the first paragraph on page 30 was amended to produce the amended paragraph that is set forth on page 1 of Appendix A. In Appendix B, the portions being added are underlined; and the portions being deleted are enclosed in brackets.)

Please replace the first paragraph on page 33 of the specification